

# **EXHIBIT 7**

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN RE: COLGATE-PALMOLIVE	)	MDL Docket No. 12-md-2320-PB
SOFTSOAP ANTIBACTERIAL HAND	)	
SOAP MARKETING AND SALES	)	ALL ACTIONS
PRACTICES LITIGATION (MDL No. 2320)	)	
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**AFFIDAVIT OF LAURENCE D. KING  
IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR AWARD  
OF ATTORNEYS' FEES, EXPENSES, AND  
REPRESENTATIVE PLAINTIFFS' INCENTIVE PAYMENTS**

I, Laurence D. King, am over the age of eighteen (18) and otherwise competent to testify to all facts and/or opinions contained in this Affidavit.

1. I am the partner in charge of Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP's ("Kaplan Fox") San Francisco and Los Angeles offices. I make this Affidavit of my own personal knowledge, and if called to do so, I could testify competently to the matters stated herein. I was appointed to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee (Dkt. No. 20) in this litigation.

2. I am an attorney admitted to practice in the state courts of California and New York. I have also been admitted generally in the U.S. District Courts of the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and the Northern, Central and Southern Districts of California and have been admitted *pro hac vice* in numerous state and federal courts. I have been appointed as a lead or liaison counsel, or as a member of a steering or executive committee, in a variety of consumer, privacy, and securities litigations throughout the country. I have successfully prosecuted class actions in state and federal court resulting in recoveries of hundreds of millions of dollars. A copy of Kaplan Fox's firm resume, which includes my curriculum vitae, is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*.

3. This Affidavit is provided in support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Award of Attorneys' Fees, Expenses, and Representative Plaintiff's Incentive Payments. The information provided herein is derived from the time keeping, expense tracking and other systems regularly used by my law firm.

4. From the inception of this litigation through July 31, 2015, Kaplan Fox attorneys expended 236.75 hours of work in connection with this litigation. Based upon our customary rates in this type of litigation, the lodestar value of that time is \$139,246.25.

5. My firm's work on this case was performed on a wholly contingent basis pursuant to contingency fee contracts with the named Plaintiffs. Kaplan Fox has not received any amounts in connection with this case either as fee income or expense reimbursement. Additionally, all expense amounts were incurred and paid by my firm out of operating funds.

6. Shown below is a true and correct summary identifying the attorneys who have worked on this litigation, the number of hours those individuals worked, their regular hourly billing rates as of September 2014 and their respective lodestar values (reflecting periodically revised hourly rates since the inception of this litigation). The hourly rates shown below are the usual and customary rates charged in California and the national venues in which the firm typically handles cases for each individual doing the type of work performed on this litigation. These rates are not adjusted, notwithstanding the complexity of this litigation, the skill and tenacity of the opposition, the preclusion of other employment, the delay in payment or any other factors that could be used to justify a higher hourly compensation.

<b>NAME</b>		<b>HOURS</b>	<b>RATE</b> (as of Sept. 2014)	<b>LODESTAR</b>
Laurence D. King	Partner	34	\$775	\$26,350.00
Linda M. Fong	Of Counsel	118.50	\$615	\$72,877.50
Mario Choi	Associate	84.25	\$475	\$40,018.75
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>236.75</b>		<b>\$139,246.25</b>

7. These amounts were derived from contemporaneous daily time records Kaplan Fox compiled on this matter, which are recorded in our computerized database. The firm requires regular and contemporaneous recording of time records, which occurred in this case.

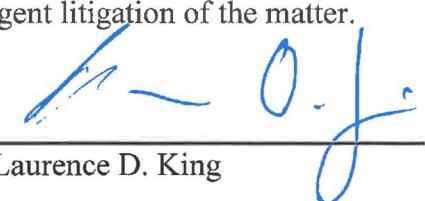
8. The lodestar summary reflects Kaplan Fox's experience in the field, the complexity of the matters involved in this litigation, and the prevailing rate for providing such services.

9. Kaplan Fox has advanced a total of \$3,640.31 in expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with the prosecution of this litigation. They are broken down as follows:

<b>EXPENSE CATEGORY</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Travel, Meals, Hotels & Transportation	\$ 1,493.96
Computer research	\$ 646.35
Litigation Fund Contributions	\$ 1,500.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 3,640.31</b>

10. These expenses are reflected in the books and records regularly kept and maintained by my firm.

11. In my opinion, the time expended and expenses incurred by my firm in prosecuting this action were reasonable and necessary for the diligent litigation of the matter.

  
Laurence D. King

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of July, 2015.



  
(Notary Public)

# EXHIBIT A



## **KAPLAN FOX & KILSHEIMER LLP**

## **FIRM PROFILE**

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## History of Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP

Leo Kaplan and James Kilsheimer founded “Kaplan & Kilsheimer” in 1954, making the firm one of the most established litigation practices in the country. James Kilsheimer was a celebrated federal prosecutor in the late 1940s and early 1950s in New York who not only successfully tried some of the highest profile cases in the country, but also handled the U.S. Attorney’s Office’s criminal appeals to the Second Circuit.

Now known as “Kaplan Fox & Kilsheimer LLP,” the early commitment to high-stakes litigation continues to define the firm to the present day. In 2009, Portfolio Media’s *Law360* ranked Kaplan Fox’s securities litigation practice as one of the top 5 in the country (plaintiff side), and again in July 2014, the Legal 500 ranked Kaplan Fox as one of the top 8 plaintiff’s firms for securities litigation. In March 2013, the *National Law Journal* included Kaplan Fox on its list of the top 10 “hot” litigation boutiques, a list that includes both plaintiff and defense firms. For 2014, more than half of the firm’s partners – including attorneys on both coasts – were rated “Super Lawyers.”

The firm has three primary litigation practice areas (antitrust, securities, and consumer protection), and the firm is a leader in all three. To date, we have recovered more than **\$5 billion** for our clients and classes. In addition, the firm has expanded its consumer protection practice to include data privacy litigation, and few other firms can match Kaplan Fox’s recent leadership in this rapidly emerging field. The following describes Kaplan Fox’s major practice areas, its most significant recoveries and its personnel.

## Securities Litigation

Over the past 35 years, Kaplan Fox has been a leader in prosecuting corporate and securities fraud —ranging from cases concerning accounting fraud to those involving complicated and complex financial instruments. Since the passage of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act in 1995, Kaplan Fox has emerged as one of the foremost securities litigation firms representing institutional investors of all sizes, including many of the world's largest public pension funds.

Kaplan Fox's selection by Portfolio Media's Law360 as one of the five top securities litigation firms (plaintiff side) for 2009 was based, in part, on the representation of public pension funds in high profile and complex securities class actions, including *In re Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Securities, Derivative & ERISA Litigation*; *In re Bank of America Corp. Sec., ERISA & Derivative Litigation*; *In re Fannie Mae Securities Litigation*; and *In re Ambac Financial Group, Inc. Securities Litigation*. Some of the firm's most significant securities recoveries are listed below:

**In re Bank of America Corp. Securities, Derivative, and ERISA Litigation**, MDL No. 2058 (S.D.N.Y.) (\$2.425 billion recovered)

**In re Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Securities Litigation**, Master File No. 07-CV-9633 (JSR) (S.D.N.Y.) (\$475 million recovered)

**In re 3Com Securities Litigation**, No. C-97-21083-EAI (N.D. Ca) (\$259 million recovered)

**In re Fannie Mae 2008 Securities Litigation**, No. 08-cv-7831 (PAC) (S.D.N.Y.) (\$170 million recovered)

**In re MicroStrategy Securities Litigation**, No. CV-00-473-A (E.D. Va.) (\$155 million recovered)

**AOL Time Warner Cases I & II (Opt-out)** Nos. 4322 & 4325 (Cal. State Court, LA County) (\$140 million recovered)

**In re Informix Securities Litigation**, C-97-129-CRB (N.D. Cal.)  
(\$136.5 million recovered)

**In re Xcel Energy, Inc. Securities Litigation**, Master File No. 02-CV-2677-DSD (D. Minn.) (\$80 million recovered)

**In re Elan Corporation Securities Litigation**, No. 02-CV-0865-RMB (S.D.N.Y.) (\$75 million recovered)

**In re Sequenom, Inc. Securities Litigation** No. 09-cv-921 (S.D. Cal.) (\$70 million recovered)

**Barry Van Roden, et al. v. Genzyme Corp., et al.**, No. 03-CV-4014-LLS (S.D.N.Y.) (\$64 million recovered)

## **Antitrust Litigation**

Kaplan Fox has been at the forefront of significant private antitrust actions, and we have been appointed by courts as lead counsel or members of an executive committee for plaintiffs in some of the largest antitrust cases throughout the United States. This commitment to leadership in the antitrust field goes back to at least 1967, when firm co-founder Leo Kaplan was appointed by the Southern District of New York to oversee the distribution of all ASCAP royalties under the 1950 antitrust consent decree in **United States v. American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers**, 41-CV-1395 (SDNY), a role he held for 28 years until his death in 1995. To this day, ASCAP awards the “Leo Kaplan Award” to an outstanding young composer in honor of Leo’s 28 years of service to ASCAP.

Members of the firm have also argued before federal Courts of Appeals some of the most significant decisions in the antitrust field in recent years. For example, Robert Kaplan, son of co-founder Leo Kaplan, argued the appeal in **In re Flat Glass Antitrust Litigation**, 385 F. 3d 350 (3d Cir. 2004), and Greg Arenson argued the appeal in **In re High Fructose Corn Syrup Antitrust Litigation**, 295 F. 3d 651 (7th Cir. 2002). In a relatively recent survey

of defense counsel, in-house attorneys, and individuals involved in the civil justice reform movement, both were named among the 75 best plaintiffs' lawyers in the country based on their expertise and influence.

Over the years, Kaplan Fox has recovered over **\$2 billion** for our clients in antitrust cases. Some of the larger antitrust recoveries include:

**In re Air Cargo Shipping Services Antitrust Litigation**, MDL 1775 (E.D.N.Y.) (over \$1 billion in settlements to date in this currently-pending case)

**In re Neurontin Antitrust Litigation**, MDL No. 1479, Master File No. 02-1390 (D.N.J.) (\$190 million recovered)

**In re High Fructose Corn Syrup Antitrust Litigation**, MDL No. 1087, Master File No. 95-1477 (C.D. Ill) (\$531 million recovered)

**In re Brand Name Prescription Drugs Antitrust Litigation**, MDL 997 (N.D. Ill.) (\$720 plus million recovered)

**In re Infant Formula Antitrust Litigation**, MDL 878 (N.D.Fla.) (\$126 million recovered)

**In re Flat Glass Antitrust Litigation**, MDL 1200 (W.D. Pa.) (\$122 plus million recovered)

**In re Hydrogen Peroxide Antitrust Litigation**, MDL 1682 (E.D. Pa.) (\$97 million recovered)

**In re Plastics Additives Antitrust Litigation**, 03-CV-1898 (E.D. Pa.) (\$46.8 million recovered)

**In re Medical X-Ray Film Antitrust Litigation**, CV 93-5904 (E.D.N.Y.) (\$39.6 million recovered)

**In re NBR Antitrust Litigation**, MDL 1684 (E.D. Pa.) (\$34.3 million recovered)

## Consumer Protection and Data Privacy Litigation

The consumer protection practice is headquartered in Kaplan Fox's San Francisco office, which opened in 2000, and is led by Laurence King, an experienced trial lawyer and former prosecutor. Mr. King also recently served as a Vice-Chair, and then Co-Chair, of the American Association for Justice's Class Action Litigation Group.

Mr. King and our other effective and experienced consumer protection litigators regularly champion the interests of consumers under a variety of state and federal consumer protection laws. Most frequently, these cases are brought as class actions, though under certain circumstances an individual action may be appropriate.

Kaplan Fox's consumer protection attorneys have represented victims of a broad array of misconduct in the manufacturing, testing, marketing, and sale of a variety of products and services and have regularly been appointed as lead or co-lead counsel or as a member of a committee of plaintiffs' counsel in consumer protection actions by courts throughout the nation. Among our significant achievements are highly recognized cases including **In re Baycol Products Litigation**, MDL 1431-MJD/JGL (D. Minn.) (victims have recovered \$350 million recovered to date); **In re Providian Financial Corp. Credit Card Terms Litigation**, MDL No. 1301-WY (E.D. Pa.) (\$105 million recovered); **In re Thomas and Friends Wooden Railway Toys Litig.**, No. 07-cv-3514 (N.D. Ill.) (\$30 million settlement obtained for purchasers of recalled "Thomas Train" toys painted with lead paint); **In re Pre-Filled Propane Tank Marketing and Sales Practices Litigation**, No. 4:09-md-2086 (W.D. Mo.) (settlements obtained where consumers will receive substantially in excess of actual damages and significant injunctive relief); and **Berry v.**

**Mega Brands Inc.**, No. 08-CV-1750 (D.N.J.) (class-wide settlement obtained where consumers will receive full refunds for defective products).

Data privacy is a fairly new area of law and broadly encompasses two scenarios. In a data breach case, a defendant has lawful custody of data, but fails to safeguard it or use it in an appropriate manner. In a tracking case, the defendant intercepts or otherwise gathers digital data to which it is not entitled in the first place.

Kaplan Fox is an emerging leader in both types of data privacy litigation. For example, Laurence King filed and successfully prosecuted one of very first online data breach cases, **Syran v. LexisNexis Group**, No. 05-cv-0909 (S.D. Cal.), and is court-appointed liaison counsel in a pending data breach case against LinkedIn. See **In re: LinkedIn User Privacy Litigation**, 12-cv-3088-EJD (N.D. Cal.) (Davila, J.). The firm is also an industry leader in the even newer field of email and internet tracking litigation. Current cases include **In re: Facebook Internet Tracking Litigation**, 5:12-md-02314-EJD (N.D. Cal.) (Davila, J.), and a Kaplan Fox attorney, David Straite, was one of two attorneys to argue on behalf of the plaintiffs at oral arguments on Facebook's Motion to Dismiss (decision is pending). Kaplan Fox is also leading an internet tracking case in New York against PulsePoint, Inc., an online advertising company accused of hacking Safari's privacy protections. See **Mount v. PulsePoint, Inc.**, No. 13-cv-6592 (SDNY) (Buchwald, J.). In addition, Kaplan Fox was appointed Co-Lead Class Counsel in a digital privacy class action against Yahoo!, Inc., related to Yahoo's alleged practice of scanning emails for content, which was recently granted class certification. See **In re: Yahoo Mail Litigation**, 5:13-cv-04980-LHK (N.D. Cal.)

## **ATTORNEY BIOGRAPHIES**

### **PARTNERS**

**ROBERT N. KAPLAN** is widely recognized as a leading antitrust litigator. He has led the prosecution of numerous antitrust class actions. He also has earned a reputation as a leading litigator in securities fraud class actions. Mr. Kaplan has been with Kaplan Fox for 35 years, joining in 1971.

Mr. Kaplan honed his litigation skills as a trial attorney with the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. There, he gained significant experience litigating both civil and criminal actions. He also served as law clerk to the Hon. Sylvester J. Ryan, then chief judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Mr. Kaplan's published articles include: "Supreme Court Divide Hampers Nearly All Class Actions," *Law360*, January 2014, "Complaint and Discovery In Securities Cases," *Trial*, April 1987; "Franchise Statutes and Rules," *Westchester Bar Topics*, Winter 1983; "Roots Under Attack: *Alexander v. Haley* and *Courlander v. Haley*," *Communications and the Law*, July 1979; and "Israeli Antitrust Policy and Practice," *Record of the Association of the Bar*, May 1971.

In addition, Mr. Kaplan served as an acting judge of the City Court for the City of Rye, N.Y., from 1990 to 1993.

Mr. Kaplan sits on the boards of several community organizations, including the Board of Directors of the Carver Center in Port Chester, N.Y., the Board of Directors of the Rye Free Reading Room in Rye, N.Y. and a Member of the Dana Farber Visiting Committee Thoracic Oncology.

#### **Education:**

- B.A., Williams College (1961)
- J.D., Columbia University Law School (1964)

#### **Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York (1964)
- U.S. Supreme Court

- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third, Seventh, Ninth, and Eleventh Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern, Eastern, and Northern Districts of New York, the Central District of Illinois, and the District of Arizona

**Professional Affiliations:**

- Committee to Support the Antitrust Laws (past President)
- National Association of Securities and Commercial Law Attorneys (past President)
- Advisory Group of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- American Bar Association
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America (Chairman, Commercial Litigation Section, 1985-86)
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York (served on the Trade Regulation Committee; Committee on Federal Courts)

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**FREDERIC S. FOX** first associated with Kaplan Fox in 1984, and became a partner in the firm in 1991. He has concentrated his work in the area of class action litigation. Mr. Fox has played important roles in many major class action cases. He was one of the lead trial lawyers in two recent securities class actions, one of which was the first case tried to verdict under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

Mr. Fox currently represents many institutional investors including governmental entities in both class actions and individual litigation, including *In re Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Securities, Derivative & ERISA Litigation*, which was recently settled for \$475 million. Mr. Fox is currently serving as lead counsel on behalf of major public pension funds in pending securities litigation arising out of Bank of America's acquisition of Merrill Lynch. Mr. Fox also represents institutional clients in pending securities litigation involving Fannie Mae, Sequenom, Ambac and Credit Suisse and in the past has served as lead counsel in numerous cases, including *In re Merrill Lynch Research Reports Securities Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.) (arising from analyst reports issued by Henry Blodget); *In re Salomon Analyst*

*Williams Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.) and *In re Salomon Focal Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.) (both actions stemming from analyst reports issued by Jack Grubman). Mr. Fox is a frequent speaker and panelist in both the U.S and abroad on a variety of topics including securities litigation and corporate governance.

In the consumer protection area, he served on the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in the *Baycol Products Litigation* where there have been more than \$350 million in settlements. Additionally, he is serving as one of the Co-lead Counsel in *In re RC2 Corp. Toy Lead Paint Products Liability Litigation* pending in the Northern District of Illinois.

Mr. Fox is listed in the current editions of New York Super Lawyers and is recognized in Benchmark Litigation 2010 as a New York "Litigation Star."

Mr. Fox is the author of "Current Issues and Strategies in Discovery in Securities Litigation," ATLA, 1989 Reference Material; "Securities Litigation: Updates and Strategies," ATLA, 1990 Reference Material; and "Contributory Trademark Infringement: The Legal Standard after Inwood Laboratories, Inc. v. Ives Laboratories," University of Bridgeport Law Review, Vol. 4, No. 2.

During law school, Mr. Fox was the notes and comments editor of the University of Bridgeport Law Review.

**Education:**

- B.A., Queens College (1981)
- J.D., Bridgeport School of Law (1984)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York (1985)
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York

**Professional Affiliations:**

- American Bar Association
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York
- Association of Trial Lawyers of America (Chairman, Commercial Law Section, 1991-92)

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**RICHARD J. KILSHEIMER** first associated with Kaplan Fox in 1976 and became a partner in the firm in 1983. His practice is concentrated in the area of antitrust litigation. During his career, Mr. Kilsheimer has played significant roles in a number of the largest successful antitrust class actions in the country. He has served as co-lead counsel for class plaintiffs in several antitrust cases, including *In re Neurontin Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1479, Master File No. 02-1390 (D.N.J.) a delayed-generic entry case against Pfizer and Warner-Lambert which was resolved by a \$190 million settlement for the plaintiff class after 12 years of litigation, and *In re Nifedipine Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1515, Civil Action No. 1:03-MS-223 (R.J.L) (D.D.C), another drug case, which was settled for a total of \$35 million. He also practices in the areas of securities fraud and commercial litigation.

In December 2007, Mr. Kilsheimer was a speaker on the subject “Elevated Standards of Proof and Pleading: Implications of *Twombly* and *Daubert*” at the American Antitrust Institute Symposium on the Future of Private Antitrust Enforcement held in Washington, D.C. Mr. Kilsheimer has also served on the Antitrust and Trade Regulation Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York (2004-2007).

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Kilsheimer served as law clerk to the Hon. Lloyd F. MacMahon (1975-76), formerly Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Mr. Kilsheimer is co-author of “Secondary Liability Developments,” ABA Litigation Section, Subcommittee on Secondary Liability, 1991-1994.

**Education:**

- A.B., University of Notre Dame (1972)
- J.D., *cum laude*, St. John's University (1975)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- State of New York (1976)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second (1983), Third (2002), Sixth (2002) and D.C. (2005) Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (1976) and the Northern District of Indiana (1987)

**Professional Affiliations:**

- Association of the Bar of the City of New York (Member: Antitrust and Trade Regulation Committee (2004-2007))
- Federal Bar Council
- Committee to Support the Antitrust Laws

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**GREGORY K. ARENSEN** is a seasoned business litigator with experience representing clients in a variety of areas, including antitrust, securities, and employee termination. His economics background has provided a foundation for his recognized expertise in handling complex economic issues in antitrust cases, both as to class certification and on the merits. He argued the appeals in *In re High Fructose Corn Syrup Antitrust Litig.*, 295 F.3d 651 (7th Cir. 2002), and *In re Hydrogen Peroxide Antitrust Litig.*, 552 F.3d 305 (3d Cir. 2009).

Mr. Arenson has been a partner in the firm since 1993. Prior to joining Kaplan Fox, Mr. Arenson was a partner with Proskauer Rose. Earlier in his career, he was a partner with Schwartz Klink & Schreiber, and an associate with Rudnick & Wolfe (now DLA Piper).

Mr. Arenson writes frequently on discovery issues and the use of experts. His published articles include: "Report on Proposed Amendments to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 45," 17 NY LITIGATOR 21 (2012); "Rule 8 (a)(2) After *Twombly*: Has There Been a Plausible Change?" 14 NY LITIGATOR 23 (2009); "Report on Proposed Federal Rule of Evidence 502," 12 NY LITIGATOR 49 (2007); "Report: Treating the Federal Government Like Any Other Person: Toward a Consistent Application of Rule 45," 12 NY LITIGATOR 35 (2007); "Report of the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section on the Lawsuit Abuse Reduction Act of 2005," 11 NY LITIGATOR 26 (2006); "Report Seeking To Require Party Witnesses Located Out-Of-State Outside 100 Miles To Appear At Trial Is Not A Compelling Request," 11 NY LITIGATOR 41 (2006); "Eliminating a Trap for the Unwary: A Proposed Revision of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 50," 9 NY LITIGATOR 67 (2004); "Committee Report on Rule 30(b)(6)," 9 NY LITIGATOR 72 (2004); "Who Should Bear the Burden of Producing Electronic Information?" 7 FEDERAL DISCOVERY NEWS, No. 5, at 3 (April 2001); "Work Product vs. Expert Disclosure – No One Wins," 6 FEDERAL DISCOVERY NEWS, No. 9, at 3 (August 2000); "Practice Tip: Reviewing Deposition Transcripts," 6 FEDERAL

DISCOVERY NEWS, No. 5, at 13 (April 2000); "The Civil Procedure Rules: No More Fishing Expeditions," 5 FEDERAL DISCOVERY NEWS, No. 9, at 3 (August 1999); "The Good, the Bad and the Unnecessary: Comments on the Proposed Changes to the Federal Civil Discovery Rules," 4 NY LITIGATOR 30 (1998); and "The Search for Reliable Expertise: Comments on Proposed Amendments to the Federal Rules of Evidence," 4 NY LITIGATOR 24 (1998). He was co-editor of FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, 1993 AMENDMENTS, A PRACTICAL GUIDE, published by the New York State Bar Association; and a co-author of "Report on the Application of Statutes of Limitation in Federal Litigation," 53 ALBANY LAW REVIEW 3 (1988).

Mr. Arenson is active in the New York State Bar Association. He is a member of the House of Delegates and the Section Delegate's Caucus, of which he is currently Vice Chair. He was chair of the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section from June 2013 through May 2014. He has been Co-Chair of the New York State Bar Association Task Force on the State of Our Courthouses, whose report was adopted by the House of Delegates on June 20, 2009; a member of the New York State Bar Association Special Committee on Standards for Pleading in Federal Litigation, whose report was adopted by the House of Delegates on June 19, 2010; and a member of the New York State Bar Association Special Committee on Discovery and Case Management in Federal Litigation, whose report was adopted by the House of Delegates on June 23, 2012. He is a member of The Sedona Conference® Working Group 1 on Electronic Document Retention and Production. He has served as a mediator in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York since 1993. In addition, he is an active alumnus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, having served as a member of the Corporation, a member of the Corporation Development Committee, vice president of the Association of Alumni/ae, and member of the Alumni/ae Fund Board (of which he was a past chair).

Mr. Arenson has been named as a Super Lawyer every year since 2008 and has been selected for membership in the Litigation Counsel of America.

**Education:**

- S.B., Massachusetts Institute of Technology (1971)
- J.D., University of Chicago (1975)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of Illinois (1975)
- Bar of the State of New York (1978)
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third and Seventh Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois, and the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York
- U.S. Tax Court

**Professional Affiliations:**

- New York State Bar Association, House of Delegates (2013-present); Section Delegates Caucus, Vice Chair (2015); Commercial and Federal Litigation Section, Chair (2013-14), Chair-Elect (2012-13), Vice-Chair (2011-12); and Committee on Federal Procedure (Chairman 1997-2012)
- New York State Bar Association, Task Force on the State of Our Courthouses, Co-Chair (2008-2014)
- New York State Bar Association, Special Committee on Discovery and Case Management in Federal Litigation (2010-present)
- New York State Bar Association, Special Committee on Standards for Pleadings in Federal Litigation (2008-09)
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York
- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Council
- The Sedona Conference® Working Group 1 on Electronic Document Retention and Production
- Member, advisory board, FEDERAL DISCOVERY NEWS (1999 – present)

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**LAURENCE D. KING** first associated with Kaplan Fox in 1994, and became a partner in the firm in 1998. Mr. King initially joined the firm in New York, but in 2000 relocated to San Francisco to open the firm's first West Coast office. He is now partner-in-charge of the firm's San Francisco and Los Angeles offices.

Mr. King practices primarily in the areas of consumer protection litigation and securities litigation, the latter with an emphasis on institutional investor representation. In both of these practice areas, he has played a substantial role in cases that have resulted in some of the largest recoveries ever obtained by Kaplan Fox, including *In re Bank of America Corp. Securities, Derivative, and ERISA Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.), *In re Baycol Products Litigation* (E.D. Pa.), *In re 3Com Securities Litigation* (N.D. Cal.), *In re Informix Securities Litigation* (N.D. Cal.), *AOL Time Warner Cases I & II* (Ca. Super. Ct., L.A. Cty.) and *Providian Credit Card Cases* (Ca. Super. Ct., S.F. Cty.).

An experienced trial lawyer, prior to joining Kaplan Fox Mr. King served as an assistant district attorney under the legendary Robert Morgenthau in the Manhattan (New York County, New York) District Attorney's office, where he tried numerous felony prosecutions to a jury verdict. At Kaplan Fox, he was a member of the trial team for two class actions tried to verdict, *In re Biogen Securities Litigation* (D. Mass.) and *In re Health Management Securities Litigation* (E.D.N.Y.). Mr. King has also participated in trial preparation for numerous other cases in which favorable settlements were achieved for our clients on or near the eve of trial.

Mr. King was selected for inclusion in Northern California *SuperLawyers* for 2012 and 2013, and from 2011-13, he served as a Vice-Chair, and then as Co-Chair, of the American Association for Justice's Class Action Litigation Group.

**Education:**

- B.S., Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania (1985)
- J.D., Fordham University School of Law (1988)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York (1989)
- Bar of the State of California (2000)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second, Third, Fifth, Ninth and Tenth Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the District of New Jersey, the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and the Northern, Central and Southern Districts of California

**Professional Affiliations:**

- Bar Association of San Francisco

- American Bar Association
- American Association for Justice
- San Francisco Trial Lawyers' Association
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Prior to joining Kaplan Fox, Mr. Strauss served as a senior auditor with one of the former "Big Eight" accounting firms. Combining his accounting background and legal skills, he has played a critical role in successfully prosecuting numerous securities class actions across the country on behalf of shareholders. Mr. Strauss was one of the lead trial lawyers for the plaintiffs in the first case to go to trial and verdict under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

More recently Mr. Strauss has been involved in representing the firm's institutional clients in the following securities class actions, among others: *In re Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Securities, Derivative and ERISA Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.) (\$475 million settlement); *In re Prestige Brands Holdings Inc. Securities Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.) (\$11 million settlement); *In re Gentiva Securities Litigation* (E.D.N.Y.); and *In re Sunpower Securities Litigation* (N.D. Cal.) (\$19.7 million). He has also served as lead counsel for lead plaintiffs in *In re OCA, Inc. Securities Litigation* (E.D. La.) (\$6.5 million settlement) and *In re Proquest Company Securities Litigation* (E.D. Mich.) (\$20 million settlement). Mr. Strauss also played an active role for plaintiff investors in *In re Countrywide Financial Corporation Securities Litigation* (C.D. Cal.) which settled for more than \$600 million.

In the consumer protection area, Mr. Strauss served as Chair of Plaintiffs' Non-Party Discovery Committee in the *Baycol Products Litigation*, where there were more than \$350 million in settlements.

Although currently practicing exclusively in the area of law, Mr. Strauss is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the State of New York.

Mr. Strauss has also been a guest lecturer on the topics of securities litigation,

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**Education:**

- B.A., Yeshiva University (1986)
- J.D., Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law (1992)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New Jersey
- Bar of the State of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First, Second and Third Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and the District of New Jersey

**Professional Affiliations:**

- American Bar Association (member, Litigation Section, Rule 23 Subcommittee)
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York
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Since joining the Firm, Ms. Nam has been involved in all aspects of securities practice, including case analysis for the Firm's institutional investor clients as well as being a key member of the litigation team representing a number of institutional clients in securities litigation. She is currently part of the team prosecuting securities claims against Bank of America Corporation, Fannie Mae and Ambac Financial Group, Inc. She also has a focus in prosecuting opt-out actions on behalf of the Firm's clients and has played a significant role in *AOL Time Warner Cases I & II* (Ca. Sup. Ct., L.A. Cty.) and *State Treasurer of the State of Michigan v. Tyco International, Ltd., et al.* The recoveries for the Firm's institutional clients in both of these cases were multiples of what they would have received had they remained members of the class action.

Prior to joining the Firm, Ms. Nam was an associate with Kronish Lieb Weiner & Hellman LLP, where she trained as transactional attorney in general corporate securities law and mergers and acquisitions.

Ms. Nam graduated, magna cum laude, with a dual degree in political science and public relations from Syracuse University's Maxwell School and S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications. Ms. Nam obtained her law degree, with honors, from George Washington University Law School. During law school, Ms. Nam was a member of the George Washington University Law Review. She is the author of a case note, "Radio – Inconsistent Application Rule," 64 Geo. Wash. L. Rev. (1996). In addition, she also served as an intern for the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division.

**Education:**

- B.A., magna cum laude, Syracuse University (1994)
- J.D., with honors, George Washington University School of Law (1997)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

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Mr. Hall currently represents a number of the Firm's institutional investor clients in securities litigation actions including, *In re Bank of America Corp. Litigation*, *In re Fannie Mae 2008 Securities Litigation*, *In re Ambac Financial Group, Inc. Securities Litigation*, *In Re Credit Suisse – AOL Securities Litigation*. Recently Mr. Hall has successfully represented institutional clients in *In re Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Securities, Derivative &*

*ERISA Litigation*, which was recently settled for \$475 million; *In re Majesco Securities Litigation*; and *In re Escala Securities Litigation*. Additionally, he was a member of the litigation team in *AOL Time Warner Cases I & II* (Ca. Sup. Ct., L.A. Cty.), an opt-out action brought by institutional investors that settled just weeks before trial. This action, stemming from the 2001 merger of America Online and Time Warner, resulted in a recovery of multiples of what would have been obtained if those investors had remained members of the class action.

Mr. Hall has played a key role in many of the Firm's securities and antitrust class actions resulting in substantial recoveries for the Firm's clients, including *In re Merrill Lynch Research Reports Securities Litigation* (arising from analyst reports issued by Henry Blodget); *In re Salomon Analyst Williams Litigation* and *In re Salomon Focal Litigation* (both actions stemming from analyst reports issued by Jack Grubman); *In re Flat Glass Antitrust Litigation*; and *In re Compact Disc Antitrust Litigation*.

Mr. Hall graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1995 with a B.A. in Philosophy and obtained his law degree from Fordham University School of Law in 1998. During law school, Mr. Hall was a member of the Fordham Urban Law Journal and a member of the Fordham Moot Court Board. He also participated in the Criminal Defense Clinic, representing criminal defendants in federal and New York State courts on a pro-bono basis.

**Education:**

- B.A., College of William and Mary (1995)
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**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of Connecticut (2001)
- Bar of the State of New York (2001)
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

**Professional Affiliations:**

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**JEFFREY P. CAMPISI** joined Kaplan Fox in 2004 and became partner of the firm in 2012. He practices in the area of securities litigation. Mr. Campisi has been involved in all aspects of securities practice, including case analysis for the firm's numerous public pension fund and institutional investor clients.

Mr. Campisi currently represents public pension funds in *In re 2008 Fannie Mae Securities Litigation* (08cv7831) (S.D.N.Y.) and *In re 2008 Gentiva Securities Litigation*, No. 10-cv-5064 (E.D.N.Y.). Mr. Campisi recently represented institutional investors in the following securities class actions: *In re Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Securities, Derivative and ERISA Litigation* (07cv9633) (S.D.N.Y.) (\$475 million settlement) and *In re Sequenom, Inc. Securities Litigation* (S.D. Cal.) (09cv921) (more than \$60 million in cash and stock recovered).

Mr. Campisi served as law clerk for Herbert J. Hutton, United States District Court Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

**Education:**

- B.A., cum laude, Georgetown University (1996)
- J.D., summa cum laude, Villanova University School of Law (2000)

Member of Law Review and Order of the Coif

**Bar affiliations and court admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York (2001)
- U.S. Dist. Court for the Southern District of New York (2001)
- U.S. Dist. Court for the Eastern District of New York (2001)

**Professional affiliations:**

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Mrs. Campbell obtained her J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. While attending law school, she successfully represented clients of the Civil Practice Clinic of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, and provided pro bono legal services through organizations including the Southern Poverty Law Center. Mrs. Campbell obtained her undergraduate degree from the University of Missouri (*cum laude*).

Mrs. Campbell is an active member in the Federal Courts Committee of the New York County Lawyers Association and served as a panelist in a continuing legal education course offered by the Committee concerning waiver of attorney-client privilege under Federal Rule of Evidence 501. Additionally, Mrs. Campbell is a member of the New York State Bar Association, the National Association of Women Lawyers, and the New York Women's Bar Association.

**Education:**

- B.A., University of Missouri (2000)
- J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School (2004)

**Bar affiliations and court admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York (2005)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First, Second and Eleventh Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York

**Professional affiliations:**

- American Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
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During 1983, Mr. Specks served as special assistant attorney general on antitrust matters to Hon. Neil F. Hartigan, then Attorney General of the State of Illinois.

### **Education:**

- B.A., Northwestern University (1972)
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### **Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of Illinois (1975)
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### **Education:**

- B.A. with honors, University of Texas at Austin (1972)
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**Education:**

- J.D., University of San Francisco School of Law (1985)
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- Elementary Teaching Credential, University of California, Berkeley

**Bar affiliations and court admissions:**

- Bar of the State of California (1986)
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern and Eastern Districts of California
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second and Ninth Circuits

**Professional affiliations:**

- San Francisco Trial Lawyers Association
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Mr. Pinilis is the author of "Work-Product Privilege Doctrine Clarified," *New Jersey Lawyer*, Aug. 2, 1999; "Consumer Fraud Act Permits Private Enforcement," *New Jersey Law Journal*, Aug. 23, 1993; "Lawyer-Politicians Should Be Sanctioned for Jeering Judges," *New Jersey Law Journal*, July 1, 1996; "No Complaint, No Memo – No Whistle-Blower Suit," *New Jersey Law Journal*, Sept. 16, 1996; and "The *Lampf* Decision: An appropriate Period of Limitations?" *New Jersey Trial Lawyer*, May 1992.

**Education:**

- B.A., Hobart College (1989)
- J.D., Benjamin Cardozo School of Law (1992)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New Jersey (1992)
- Bar of the State of New York (1993)
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**Education:**

- J.D., order of the coif, University of Southern California Law School (2000)
- B.A., with honors, University of California, San Diego

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of California (2000)

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (2000)
- U.S. District Court for the Central of California (2000)

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- The American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers' Nathan Burkan Award Winner, 2000 for article titled "Is the Fair Use Defense Outdated?"

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Mr. Straite is a frequent speaker and panelist in the U.S. and abroad. Most recently, he spoke on the hedge fund panel at the February 6, 2013 meeting of the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys in Washington, D.C. ("Structuring Investments – Do I Get to Go to the Cayman Islands?"); debated the General Counsel of Meetup, Inc. during 2013 Social Media Week ("David vs. Goliath: the Global Fight for Digital Privacy"); and gave a guest lecture on the Legal Talk Network's "Digital Detectives" podcast. He has also given interviews to Channel 10 (Tel Aviv), CBS Channel 2 (New York) BBC World News (London), SkyNews (London), and CBS News Radio (Philadelphia).

Mr. Straite's recent work includes representing investors in the Harbinger Capital hedge fund litigation and the Citigroup CSO hedge fund litigation in New York federal court; pursuing digital privacy claims as court-appointed class counsel in *In re: Facebook Internet Tracking Litigation* and *In re Yahoo Mail Litigation* in California and *In re: Google Inc. Cookie Placement Consumer Privacy Litigation* in Delaware; pursuing corporate governance claims in Delaware Chancery Court in *In re: Molycorp Derivative Litigation*; and helping to develop the first multi-claimant test of the UK's new prospectus liability statute in a case against the Royal Bank of Scotland in the English courts. Mr. Straite has

also co-authored *Google and the Digital Privacy Perfect Storm* in E-Commerce Law Reports (UK) (2013), authored *Netherlands: Amsterdam Court of Appeal Approves Groundbreaking Global Settlements Under the Dutch Act on the Collective Settlement of Mass Claims*, in The International Lawyer's annual "International Legal Developments in Review" (2009), and was a contributing author for Maher M. Dabbah & K.P.E. Lasok, QC, *Merger Control Worldwide* (2005).

**Education:**

- B.A., Tulane University, Murphy Institute of Political Economy (1993)
- J.D., *magna cum laude*, Villanova University School of Law (1996), Managing Editor, Law Review and Order of the Coif

**Bar affiliations and court admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York (2000)
- Bar of the State of Delaware (2009)
- Bar of the State of Pennsylvania (1996)
- Bar of the State of New Jersey (1996)
- Bar of the District of Columbia (2008)
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York; Eastern District of Pennsylvania; and the District of Delaware
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

**Professional affiliations:**

- American Bar Association (Section of Litigation and Section of Business Law)
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Prior to joining Kaplan Fox, Deirdre represented governmental entities in public finance and public-private partnership transactions as an associate at Hawkins, Delafield & Wood in New York. Before that, she served as a Law Clerk in the U.S. Court of International Trade and a trial attorney for the U.S. Federal Maritime Commission.

**Education:**

- J.D., George Washington University School of Law (2003)

**Bar affiliations and court admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York
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Mr. Hritz clerked for a federal district judge in New York and spent his associate years at Cravath, Swaine & Moore, one of the leading business litigation firms in the world. In 1980, Mr. Hritz became one of the seven original partners in Davis, Markel, Dwyer & Edwards, which ultimately grew to over 50 lawyers and became the New York litigation group of Hogan & Hartson, then Washington, D.C.'s oldest major law firm. Since 2011, Mr. Hritz has represented both defendants and plaintiffs in resolving international disputes and provided strategic advice and assisted clients on managing of other counsel, including monitoring law firm and consultant performance and billing.

**Education:**

- A.B., Princeton University, History (1969)
- J.D., Columbia University School of Law (1973) (Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar)

**Bar affiliations and court admissions:**

- Bars of the State of New York (1974) and District of Columbia (1978)
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third, Fourth, Eleventh and D.C. Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the District of Columbia and others

**Professional affiliations:**

- D.C. Bar Association
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Matthew has also been a strong advocate for consumer privacy, and has served on court-appointed lead counsel teams in notable data breach and information privacy cases against Target, Adobe, Yahoo!, and HealthNet. He has also represented customers challenging deceptive business practices and has worked to obtain significant recoveries in consumer fraud cases against companies including Chase, Mercedes-Benz and The Ritz-Carlton.

For the past four years Matthew has been selected as a Rising Star by Northern California Super Lawyers and has been a regular speaker at industry events on topics ranging from arbitration, settlement strategies, and the emerging field of privacy law. He is also a member of the American Bar Association (ABA), Consumer Attorneys of California (CAOC), and the Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom (BALIF).

Matthew is a 2005 graduate of the University of Michigan Law School and received his undergraduate degree in political science and criminal justice, magna cum laude, from Chapman University in 2002, where he was a Presidential Scholar.

### **ASSOCIATES**

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#### **Education:**

- B.A. Oberlin College
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#### **Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

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**Education:**

- B.A., History, *summa cum laude*, Rutgers College (2000)
- J.D., Fordham Law School (2003)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bars of the State of New York and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

**Professional Affiliations:**

- New York State Bar Association
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**Education:**

- B.A., Boston University (2000)
- M.A., Columbia University (2001)
- J.D., Northeastern University (2005)

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York (2006)
- Bar of the State of California (2006)
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Ninth Circuits

- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern and Central Districts of California and the Southern District of New York

**Professional Affiliations:**

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**Education:**

- B.S., The University of Rochester
- J.D., The George Washington University
- M.B.A., Finance, The University of Michigan

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of New York
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Ms. Dubick also served as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia where she gained substantial trial experience prosecuting white collar crimes and other offenses. During that time, she first-chaired two trials, both of which led to verdicts for the government. Earlier in Ms. Dubick's career, she clerked for the late Hon. Ann Aldrich of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

Ms. Dubick received her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law in 2007 where she was an editor of *The Ohio State Law Review* and a member of the Order of the Coif. Ms. Dubick received her B.A., *cum laude*, from Harvard College in 2000 and spent several years working in software and new media prior to law school.

Ms. Dubick has spoken on topics ranging from antitrust cartels to judicial discretion, and she has co-authored an article on consumer protection, "*Perspective on Marketing, Self-Regulation and Childhood Obesity: FTC and HHS Call on Industry to Market More Responsibly*," 13.2 *American Bar Association Consumer Protection Update* 19 (2006).

**Education:**

- B.A., *cum laude*, Harvard College (2000)
- J.D., *magna cum laude*, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (2007), Editor of *The Ohio State Law Review* and Member of the Order of the Coif

**Bar Affiliations and Court Admissions:**

- Bar of the State of Ohio (inactive)
- Bar of the State of New York (2013)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third and Fourth Circuits
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During law school he served as an Articles Editor of the Brooklyn Law Review and interned for Judge Victor Marrero of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. The Brooklyn Law Review published Mr. Saltzman's note, "Smack Apparel, College Color Schemes, and the Muddying of Trademark Law," 76 Brook. L. Rev. 1635, in Summer, 2011.

**Education:**

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